Statement III

State-wise, Sector-wise allocation of natural gas as on 1st February, 2000.

(Figures in MMSCMD)

S.	State	Fertilizer	Power	Sponge Iron	Use/		Total
No.							_
					Shrinkage		
1.	Maharashtra	5.700	6.000	2.650	2.800	0.450	17.600
2.	Gujarat	4.210	8.240	3.110	8.390	2.070	26.020
3.	Madhya Pradesh	3.220			_	0.980	4.200
4.	Uttar Pradesh	8.800	5.360	0.350	2.280	2.630	19.420
5.	Haryana		1.950		0.800		2.750
6.	Rajasthan	1.760	2.310		· 		4.070
7.	Assam	0.450	1.020		8.940	0.350	10.760
8.	Tripura		4.650		0.150		4.800
9.	Andhra Pradesh	2.140	6.140		0.400		8.680
10.	Pondicherry		0.200		0.004		0.204
11.	Tamil Nadu		2.010	0.010	0.150		2.170
12.	Delhi	. —	2.600		0.480		3.080
	Total	26.280	40.480	6.120	24.394	6.480	103.754

Import of Barley Malt

- *220. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
 - (a) whether Government have allowed import of barley malt;
 - (b) if so, reasons therefor;
- (c) whether imported barley malt has adversely affected the growers of barley in the country;
- (d) the foreign exchange out-flow during 1998-99 and the current year due to import of barley malt; and
 - (e) the steps proposed to review this policy?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) to (e) Barley Malt is not classified separately under the ITC (HS) Classifications of Export and Import Items, 1997-2002. However, Malt is classified under Exim Code Heading 11.07 of ITC (HS) Classifications of Export and Import Items. Import of Malt, including that of Barley Malt has been free since 1.4.1996. As per provisional data available with the Government, the foreign exchange outflow on import of Malt including Barley Malt was Rs. 72,38,567 during 1998-99 and a Rs. 87,07,328 during the period April 99 to November, 99. Import data for the current year has not yet been compiled.

The basic customs duty for import of malt is 40%. At the present level of imports and the applicable customs duty, the domestic growers are unliked to be seriously affected.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS Social Development Fair 2000

- 1551. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:
- (a) whether a Social Development Fair 2000 under India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO) was organized in New Delhi from May 15th to 21st this year;
- (b) if so, what were its aims and to what extent these have been achieved;
- (c) whether wide range of products manufactured by socially under privileged were on display and for sale in the fair;
 - (d) whether these products could get some business; and
 - (e) if so, to what extent?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) The fair was aimed at bringing under a single umbrella, the multiple issues of social and community development, such as, empowerment of women, gender equality, health concerns including